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for Culturing Cells or Tissue  
Components

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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 17, 2001**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated December 17, 2001, please enter the  
following amendments and consider the following remarks. A petition and small  
entity fee for a one-month extension of time accompany this paper.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel the withdrawn, non-elected claims 28-31 without prejudice, and  
amend claims 2, 3, and 6 as follows:

2. (Amended) A culturing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the  
cell culture insert provides a horizontal culture surface within the at least one culture  
container.

3. (Amended) A culturing device as defined in claim 1, further